



MAKENA PA SUMMARY

Georgia Department of Community Health (DCH) has recently received a permanent injunction requiring certain actions regarding the prior authorization (PA) of Makena®. The injunction implements the court order regarding Makena by removing the preference for Compounded 17p, resulting in a neutral prescribing policy.

STATUS: Non-Preferred

LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION: Up to 21 weeks

NOTE: *If medication is being administered in a physician's office, then it must be billed through the DCH physician's injectable program and not the outpatient pharmacy program. Information regarding the physician's injectable program can be located at www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal.*

PA CRITERIA:

- ❖ Approvable if administered in member's home by home health or in a long-term care facility

AND

- ❖ Member must be 16 years of age or older and have a confirmed pregnancy with one fetus of gestational age between 16 weeks, 0 days and 20 weeks, 6 days

AND

- ❖ Member must have a history of at least one singleton spontaneous preterm birth

AND

- ❖ Member must not have a current or history of thrombosis or thromboembolic disorders; known, history of, or suspected breast cancer or other hormone-sensitive cancer; undiagnosed abnormal vaginal bleeding unrelated to pregnancy; cholestatic jaundice of pregnancy; benign or malignant liver tumors; active liver disease; or uncontrolled hypertension.

EXCEPTIONS:

- ❖ Exceptions to these conditions of coverage are considered through the prior authorization process.

- ❖ The Prior Authorization process may be initiated by calling **Catamaran at 1-866-525-5827**.

PA and APPEAL PROCESS:

- ❖ For online access to the PA process please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight Pharmacy on the top right side of the page, and click on Prior Approval Process.

QUANTITY LEVEL LIMITATIONS:

- ❖ For online access to the current Quantity Level Limit please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight Provider Information and click on Provider Manuals. Scroll to the page with Pharmacy Services Part II and select that manual.